

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 20, line 6, as follows:

The number of IFN- γ secreting, pb9-specific T cells in fresh splenocyte preparations was determined as described previously [Schneider et al., (1998) Nat. Med. 4(4): 397-402] by coating 96-well nitrocellulose plates with anti-mouse IFN- γ antibody (clone R4 from ETCC), washing with PBS and subsequent blocking with complete medium containing 10% FCS. Splenocytes from immunized mice were resuspended at $1-2 \times 10^7$ cells/ml and placed in duplicates into the coated wells, and serially diluted. The H2-K^d-restricted peptide pb9 (SYIPSAEKI) (~~SEQ ID NO:1~~) (SEQ ID NO:2 (Romero)) was added to test wells and an irrelevant peptide to control wells. After overnight incubation the wells were washed and a second, biotinylated anti-IFN- γ antibody (Pharmigen clone) added to the wells. The wells were washed again and streptavidin-alkaline phosphatase was added. After further washing, spots were developed by adding an alkaline phosphatase substrate. The reaction was stopped by washing the wells and spots were counted under a stereomicroscope.

Substitute the Sequence Listing submitted herewith for that which was filed on May 9, 2005.